

The Federal Communications Commission

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is unfair!

I use my wireless phone for safety, security and convenience. It is a Walmart phone that charges only for time used and has no monthly bill. THis is the kind of base service that low income Maine families can use for emergencies. To switch to a monthly sservice charge will be bureaucratically burdensome or will require Tracfone to charge more per minute (already a high figure -- something like 40 cents) to abosrob the costs.

This is not a case of one size fits all.

Keep the USF graduated and therefore fair!

Sincerely,

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